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## PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Applicants have amended claim 1 to specify that the composition is applied to the skin at least once or twice a day for at least two days, as described, for example, on page 7, lines 5-29 of the application. The amendments clarify that the method is not a depilatory procedure, in which a composition generally is (1) applied once to the skin, and (2) dissolves and destroys the hair during that one application.

Applicants submit that the claims remain in condition for allowance.

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